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5X1A	1. Sen. Knowland, Senate Minority Leader, lunched with the DCI today. Others present were Col. White, Messrs. Helms, Sheldon, Kirkpatrick, Roosevelt, Pforzheimer, and of the FE Division DD/P. Among the topics discussed was the possibility of a Joint Congressional Committee on CIA. Senator Knowland felt that this would not pass the Senate this year, but he promised to keep a watchful eye on the situation. He also agreed to give us necessary support in connection with a building. There was a general discussion of the world situation, particularly in the Far East.
25X1A	2. Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R., N.J.) discussed with the Director and Mr. Houston certain problems arising out of which had been called to the Senator's attention by former Under Secretary of State Castle. It will be necessary to give Sen. Smith some additional data in this matter. The Senator was extremely cooperative.
	3. Sen. Bridges (R., N.H.) has relinquished for the duration of the 84th Congress his position as ranking Republican member of the Senate Armed Services Committee in favor of Sen. Saltonstall, the former Chairman. Senator Bridges will stand as the second ranking Republican on the Committee.
25X1A [4. Mr. Reynolds, AD/Personnel, informs me that he saw Sen. Bridges on 25 February and handed him the Director's letter regarding The Senator seemed completely satisfied and did not raise any questions regarding other cases of which he indicated an awareness in his letter to the Director of 8 February.